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## MAKE PLEA FOR CLOSED SEASON

PROHIBIT HUNTING FOR PERIOD OF  
FIVE YEARS

WOLVES GETTING NUMEROUS

Higher Bounties on Unprotected  
Animals Suggested As Way of  
Preserving Game.

A strong plea for a closed season for five years for all game in Cloverland will be made at the next session of the legislature, if plans for an organization of hunters for the protection of wild game materializes.

For many years Cloverland has been the mecca for deer, partridge, rabbits and other wild game. Hunters have come here from all parts of the country, and especially during the deer hunting season. The result is that there has been a gradual diminution of game, until today there is a serious possibility that if the slaughter continues for a few more years that the hunters of the nation will be without their "happy hunting grounds."

Last year the legislature passed a one deer law, which had a good effect, but it is now believed that a total cessation of killing will be necessary. State Game Warden Oates' assistants have been strict with persons hunting out of season and many persons have been fined this season.

It has been reported that the several mining companies, who have immense holdings, may combine and prosecute any trespassing hunters. These firms and the large land holding organizations own practically all of the hunting grounds, and if they combine, as a report says they will, the hunters will be without game.

While plans are being made to replenish the much fished waters of lower Michigan, the lakes and rivers of Cloverland continue to give forth great catches. This has been the best year in the history of game fishing in the upper peninsula. Trout have been caught in large numbers from the many streams. Lake fish have been numerous, because some of the lakes which have never been fished on were reached this year.

There are still many lakes in the forests of Cloverland and yet close to excellent highways and railroads, which have never been touched. These still offer new sport for fishermen.

### Wolves and Coyotes a Menace.

That there will be no partridge and but few deer in the upper peninsula within five years unless the state of Michigan takes extraordinary steps to exterminate wolves and coyotes, is the belief expressed in a letter to the Marquette Mining Journal received from C. V. R. Townsend, land agent for the Cleveland-Cliffs Iron company and manager of Grand Island, the company's game preserve.

"I wish you would say to the sportsmen of your section of the state that in the past fourteen months we have captured and killed nineteen coyotes on Grand Island, and there are a number left," Mr. Townsend asserts. "In my travels in the woods I find evidence that these pests are equally numerous on the mainland, and if such is the case it is safe to say there will be no partridges and few deer left in five years."

The coyotes do not kill full grown deer, but they do kill fawns three months old. They are not as vicious nor as cunning as the wolf, but they watch the mother deer and kill the young fawns when they are but a few days old. They eat all of the carcasses, bones and all. It does not fear the scent of man, and we have caught several of them by setting traps around the young fawns killed, with the result that they invariably come back and walk into the traps without fear. We make no effort to kill or sterilize the traps or keep human scent away from the bait, experience having taught us that their habits are not unlike the dogs, and when they want something to eat they return for it.

### Feast on Young Fawns.

"We have not found that the coyotes kill full grown deer, but they do feast on the young fawns. Their principal diet throughout the year seems to be rabbit, partridge, or any

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## LIVING HIGHER THIS WINTER.

Dealers Show the Cost of Foods,  
Clothes and Luxuries Rising.

Prices of foods, clothes, luxuries and materials have advanced alarmingly within the last year, according to a table of comparative prices compiled in Chicago recently. Merchants and producers say that prices for food will be even higher this winter.

Food prices vary, according to quality and quantity. For the small purchaser at retail they are higher. Wholesalers said that canning houses all over the country have announced that their deliveries would be only one-third of the normal amount. The vegetable crop, it was declared, was only half of what was expected.

Canned fruits will be 30 per cent higher and canned vegetables will be advanced from 15 to 20 per cent, according to wholesalers. Paper bags, which a year ago could be purchased in wholesale lots for 95 cents, now cost \$1.55.

Cigar jobbers raised their prices this week. Five-cent cigars, which the dealer had been getting for \$31 or \$32 a thousand, have been advanced to \$35. Better grades of cigars also have been advanced.

Cotton goods have advanced between 25 and 33 per cent. Woolens also have kept pace with cotton. In the best lines of women's shoes, the prices have almost been doubled, dealers said.

## BIG STEEL ORDERS.

Railroad Equipment Orders Large—  
Good Market Assured.

Steel mills now are accepting business for rolled products averaging between 75,000 and 100,000 tons daily, which is close to current capacity. Consumers, however, are compelled to accept promises for more shipments to be made in the third and fourth quarters of 1917, as few mills can reasonably make commitments on bars, shapes, plates and rails for shipment before the first of July next year.

The greatest pressure is for marine steel. Some orders for ship-plates—8,000 to 10,000 tons—have just been placed for boats to be constructed at the Pacific coast yards for delivery the first quarter of 1918. Other merchant shipbuilders are asking for tenders on tonnage amounting to 125,000 tons for shipment any time in 1917. One contract for 35,000 tons of plates is being closed at four cents a pound for long-time delivery. The pressure for plates for early delivery has enabled one mill to clear its yards of odds and ends at six cents a pound. Marine boiler plates have sold at 10 cents a pound for immediate delivery.

The United States government is assured an ample tonnage of steel to carry out its naval program, calling for 200,000 tons of steel next year and for 400,000 tons in the next three years. The mills, it is said, will give government orders preference. Already bids have been submitted on 75,000 tons of steel for government ships, and some deliveries are promised in 300 days.

Railroad equipment manufacturers have placed contracts during the week for 100,000 tons of bars, plates and shapes, the largest purchase being to cover the construction for the New York Central. Other domestic railroads are negotiating for 9,000 to 10,000 cars and for motive power that will require 125,000 tons of steel.

Export business is excessively heavy. Russia is about to close for 1,000 locomotives, for more cars and 70,000 tons of barbed wire. France wants 10,000 to 20,000 cars and 85,000 tons of rail. Italy needs 17,000 cars. More large export inquiries for steel have come unexpectedly into the market. Great Britain and France have just closed for 35,000 tons of Bessemer and low phosphorus pig iron. Other recent foreign sales amounted to 40,000 tons. Domestic consumers bought 150,000 tons of foundry and steel-making iron last week with prices advancing.

## PIGGER BOUND OVER.

Peter Younem, who conducts a boarding house at the Dunn mine, and whose place was raided by officers on September 9, and liquor found therein, was given a hearing before Judge Davison last Monday and bound over to the December term of court. Bartolo Montegome, whose place was also raided on the same day was released as enough evidence could not be secured to warrant holding him over to the higher court.

## 1916 SHIPMENTS RECORD BREAKER

OFFICIALS BELIEVE YEARS RECORD  
WILL BEAT ALL

2,000,000 MORE THIS YEAR

Best Year in History of Shipping  
Predicted--924,243 Tons  
During September

Ore shipments from Escanaba docks during the present year will exceed last year by nearly two million tons, and will break all previous records, according to the officials of the Northwestern and St. Paul railroads, who stated Thursday that indications now were for a banner shipping year.

Shipments from the Northwestern docks for 1916 will be nearly one and a half million tons over last year, according to officials of the company. Those in charge of the shipping from the St. Paul dock in Escanaba predict that the 1916 shipments will exceed those of 1915 by at least 400,000 tons.

Shipments of ore from Escanaba docks during September totalled 924,243 tons. Of this amount the Northwestern shipped 671,948 tons and the St. Paul 242,300 tons. Shipments last September were 1,015,468 according to the records of the railroads.

The shipments in September were not as large as last September, probably due to a shortage of bottoms, but in previous months of this year, the 1916 records have smashed those of 1915. In August the shipments totalled 1,079,169 tons as compared with 923,724 tons in August 1915.

Ore shipments will be made for fully sixty days more and in this time a large amount of ore will be carried from Escanaba. With all the bottoms needed, the record from now until the closing of the season should be broken.

## BOOSTING FOR REUNION.

Grand Chancellor Urges Pythians  
to Send Teams to Hancock.

The organization of a degree team in every lodge in the Knights of Pythias in Michigan is urged by Ray E. Hart, who is at present on a tour of inspection of the lodges of the upper peninsula.

Mr. Hart, whose home is at Battle Creek, was elected grand chancellor of the Michigan Pythians at the last meeting of the grand lodge. He will probably visit Crystal Falls lodge the latter part of the month. The grand chancellor is explaining the plan adopted by the grand lodge, which he hopes, and expects, will result in every lodge in the upper peninsula being represented by a degree team at the annual meeting of the Upper Peninsula league in Hancock next summer.

The individual member of any degree team, who scores highest in the interpretation of his part of the ritualistic work will have the honor of playing that part in an all-star upper peninsula degree team, which will in turn contest with other all-star teams from the other four Pythian league districts in the state. The men who are chosen as members of the state all-star team will receive loving cups from the grand lodge.

## ABOUT STUMP PULLING.

If the device of a Louisiana inventor or proves what is expected of it, no more stumps in the United States will be dynamited, burned or pulled. They will be "eliminated" by a set of rotary knives working on the simple principle of auger, and the fine shavings will automatically be taken up and automatically sacked for shipment to the nearest wood-pulp paper mill or turpentine still.

This remarkable device will be tried out within the next few days by the Great Southern Lumber company and already its success is considered assured. The machine weighs 40,000 pounds and is operated by a tractor and moves from stump to stump under its own power. It "eliminates" a stump in an average of one minute and five seconds and is rated to reduce a stump every five minutes, allowing for movement between stumps.

Mrs. Andrew Stenstrom is visiting friends in Iron River this week.

## FLORENCE MINE CLOSED.

Orders Issued to Shut Down Florence  
Mine for Winter.

Asst. Gen. Mgr. E. A. Thielemann received orders on Monday to close down the Florence mine and the order takes effect today, the mine being shut down tight tonight.

The pumps, however, will be kept running all winter and Mr. Thielemann gives assurance that the property will resume operations next spring. The shop crews, including machine, blacksmith and carpenter, will be retained. Outside of the shop crews, about 30 men have been employed at the Florence and these will be given employment at the company's other mines, either the Ernst or Bates. The reason for the closing down of the Florence is that there is enough ore now on stock to fill all contracts. Great difficulty has been experienced this season for the lack of boats for the transportation of ore from Escanaba. It is very probable that the Ernst mine will work steady all winter.

While the Florence mine has been employing only a small force of men, the closing down comes as a blow to all of us, and the order was put into effect with much reluctance by the officials here. The good people of Florence have certainly suffered many setbacks since her birth, but we, who are here and here to stay, can only hope, pray and wish for the better things that are to come and must come "to those who wait."—Florence Mining News.

## WINS SUIT FROM BROTHER.

By a decision handed down by the Michigan supreme court last week and copies of which were received in Escanaba, Miss Sarah J. Barras has won a sweeping victory in a suit brought against her by her brother, A. C. Barras. The action involved title to valuable iron mining property now under lease to the Munroe Mining company and was first tried in the circuit court of Iron county at Crystal Falls, before Judge R. C. Flannigan, with Attorney N. C. Spencer representing Miss Barras and Attorney A. H. Ryall appearing for the plaintiff.

A verdict for the defendant was rendered in the circuit court and an appeal was taken by Attorney Ryall to the supreme court where the case was argued, with Miss Barras again represented by Attorney Spencer. In the decision now handed down by the high court the verdict of the circuit court is affirmed.

Suit was brought by Mr. Barras for interest in property deeded to his sister by their father several years before his death, but the existence of which deed was kept a secret from the plaintiff until after the death of the elder Barras. By the deed three separate pieces of property were deeded to Miss Barras by her father and the establishment of her lawful ownership to one of the properties described in the deed removes the ownership of the remaining two descriptions from the realm of legal question.

## W. C. T. U. LECTURER HERE.

Mrs. T. B. Perkins, State Lecturer and Organizer for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of Ann Arbor, Mich., visited our city, Amasa and Alpa.

She spoke in the Finnish church Sunday morning, (as the Methodist church was being repaired) in the Swedish Lutheran church in the afternoon and in Christ's Episcopal church in the evening, to very appreciative audiences. Those who did not hear her certainly missed a treat.

Mrs. Perkins visited Alpha Saturday, lectured in the evening and then organized a Woman's Christian Temperance union with a membership of fifteen. Mrs. Nellie Uren as president, Mrs. Victoria Harvey as secretary and Mrs. Thomasine Edwards as treasurer. Certainly they will have a fine union as the ladies of Alpha do not do things by halves.

Mrs. Perkins, with the delegates from Crystal Falls, wishes to thank Supt. Bishop for the use of the library, the auditorium and Domestic Science room, and for his hospitality in general. Also for the fine music.

The ladies served a fine lunch, which was highly appreciated by all.

It is reported that the potato yield in the Upper Peninsula will be fair this year. Favorable conditions in September have resulted in marked improvement in the crop.

## SCHOOL BOYS' GARDEN CLUB

ENDED SEASON WITH EXHIBIT IN  
SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

CLUB ORGANIZED LAST SPRING

Twelve Boys in Club Tell How  
They Did Their Gardening In  
Interesting Letters

The High School Garden club, under the direction of Mr. Chamberlin, ended the season with an exhibit in the High school gymnasium. In addition to the garden display was a small exhibit by the Art department of work done thus far this year, and also a candy sale by the junior class. All taken together giving the appearance of a small fair. The exhibit which was very well attended, was indicative of the work done by the boys during the summer.

All varieties of garden truck were on display, but potatoes and roots were most common, and showed excellent work done by the members.

This club was organized in the Botany class last spring, it being compulsory for members of the class to have gardens before completing the course. However, the compulsory phase was soon lost sight of by the boys in view of their interest in the work. Each member was required to have a small plot of ground, buy their own seed and perform all work in the garden, and so make the garden a business proposition, as well as a sure way of learning the practical points of Botany. The boys were under the direct supervision of the director during the spring, but were left entirely to themselves during the summer vacation. At the opening of school this fall the work was immediately taken up by the director which resulted in the recent exhibit.

Fifteen boys started in the club but three dropped out during the summer, leaving twelve, who completely finished the project. The work was judged on general condition of garden, quantity and quality of vegetables, and a complete report of expenses and returns from garden.

First, second and third prizes were given to those receiving the corresponding places. Theodore Senke receiving first prize; Leonard Hegstrom receiving second; Arthur Valine and Axel Anderson tying for third place.

Besides this each member was required to write a story on "How I Made My Garden," samples of which are given below. These financial statements and stories are sent to the state agent at M. A. C. in charge of this work in the state, where they are kept and compared with similar reports sent from other parts of the state.

The main object of the club work is to develop the co-operative idea in agricultural pursuits, to teach to the members the culture of plants, and to develop in the members a sense of responsibility to themselves and their home.

Following is a list of members and three reports: William Richards, Axel Anderson, Gordon Davis, Victor Dalpra, Leonard Hegstrom, Arthur Valine, Theodore Sempke, Fred Will, Andrew Leach, George Floodstrah, John Ham and Amos Ismay.

## How I Did My Gardening.

Potato-growing, although requiring a great deal of work and care, is one of the most profitable ways of utilizing spare time during the summer season. Like any other project, it has its drawbacks but these can usually be overcome by watching for them and conquering them by work in the right direction.

The preparation of the seed bed is an essential point in securing a good growth of tubers. The ground, on which corn was raised last year, was plowed a short time before it froze up so as to kill all the weeds possible. As the ground was very wet in the spring it could not be worked until the first of June. It was then disked thoroughly and deeply, after which it was dragged with a spike-tooth drag to level and pulverize the soil.

The next important step was the cutting and planting of the seed. As no cutter was available the seed was cut by hand. Although this is somewhat more tedious than cutting by

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## DAN DAVISON RETIRES.

Veteran Barber Leaves Chair After  
Forty-five Years at Business.

Dan Davison, who has conducted a barber shop in this city the past 26 years, sold out his business last Thursday to Ollibo Ogeste. The deal was closed on Wednesday and the new man took charge of the shop on the following day.

Mr. Davison leaves the barber business after having rounded out forty-five years in this line of work. Out of the forty-five years he has conducted a shop in Crystal Falls twenty-six years. He first opened a shop in the building now occupied by the John Tufts company, and what was known in the early days as the Bannerman House. At that time this place contained a hotel and barroom, and another space was occupied by Mr. Davison for his barber shop. He remained in this building for a short time, after which he removed to the building now occupied by Bicego Bros. as a shoe shop. Here he remained twenty-three years. Three years ago he moved to the present location and on Thursday, the day Mr. Ogeste took over the shop, was exactly twenty-six years that Mr. Davison opened a shop in Crystal Falls.

Mr. Ogeste, the new owner, is a young man who learned his trade in the old country and came to this city from Chicago.

## DAY OF ATONEMENT.

Most Solemn Day in Jewish Calendar  
Being Observed in This City.

The Day of Atonement or "Yom Kippur," the tenth day of the month of Tishri, began at sunset yesterday and will end at sunset tonight. The thought underlying the day is expressed in the scriptural words "On this day He will atone for you to purify you from all your sins." It is a day, therefore, of reconciliation of man with his fellow-man and with God, and comes as a climax to the holiday season which began Wednesday evening, September 27, with the New Year's Day and continued through the ten days of penitence. On New Year's Day of Judgment of ordinary people, who had been neither completely righteous nor utterly sinful was left undecided and the opportunity was given them for repentance now the Day of Atonement provides all men with the possibility of returning to their God and of finding reconciliation with Him through prayer.

The day is the most solemn of all days in the Jewish calendar. It is passed in fasting and prayer. The whole day is spent in the synagogue. In the evening there is the service which commences with the chanting of the well-known Kol Nidre prayer. The day proper has four services. Of these the Mussaf or addition service contains a description of the atonement rites as practiced in the ancient days in the Temple at Jerusalem; and the Neilah service is understood to be held at the time which decision is finally made as to man's fate, and thus the usual phrase, "Inscribe us in the book of life," uses the expression: "Seal us in the book of life."

According to Jewish tradition expressed in an ancient law-book, the Day of Atonement, when spent in praying and repenting, will bring pardon for sins between man and God; but as for the sins committed by man against his fellow man the Day cannot bring pardon until he has appeared his fellow man. This idea is the basis of the effort always made before the Day of Atonement to bring peace between such friends who have become estranged and are on unfriendly terms with one another; and in this way the day put the worshipper at peace not only with his Maker, but also with his fellow man.

## GAME LAW SYNOPSIS OUT.

They Can Now Be Secured from County Clerk Wall.

County Clerk Wall has received a large number of copies of brief, though excellent synopsis of the game laws of Michigan, which he will distribute among sportsmen calling at his office for the same. He also has quite a large number of copies of the complete game laws to distribute.

Clerk Wall is receiving a great many applications for gun and hunting licenses.

Miss Mabel Lawry, of Ishpeming, is visiting friends in Crystal Falls.